

Amendments to the Claims

1-11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- a) storing in at least one data store in an automated banking machine including a cash dispenser, through operation of at least one processor a plurality of automated banking machine operating rules, wherein the rules correspond to at least one sequence for use of a plurality of transaction function devices in operative connection with the automated banking machine, each of which transaction function devices is capable of carrying out a first transaction function;
- b) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a first transaction function device responsive to a first rule; and
- c) performing the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the first transaction function device responsive to the selection in (b).

13. (previously presented) The method according to claim 12, further comprising:

- d) determining through operation of the at least one processor that the first transaction device is not available;
- e) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a second transaction function device responsive to the first rule; and
- f) performing the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the second transaction function device responsive to the selection in (e).

14. (previously presented) The method according to claim 13, wherein both the first and second transaction function devices include printer devices, wherein in (c) the first transaction function includes printing a receipt.

15. (previously presented) The method according to claim 13, wherein in (c) the first transaction function device includes a receipt printer, and in (f) the second transaction function device includes a statement printer.

16. (previously presented) The method according to claim 12, further comprising prior to (b):

- d) selecting the first rule through operation of the at least one processor responsive to an event which is operative to cause the machine to carry out the first transaction function.

17. (previously presented) The method according to claim 12, further comprising:

- d) storing a plurality of capability values in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor, wherein the capability values are representative of features of the transaction function devices,

wherein in (b) the first transaction function device is selected responsive to at least one of the capability values.

18. (previously presented) The method according to claim 12, further comprising:

- d) storing in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor data specifying at least one capability of the first transaction function device; and

wherein in (c) the first transaction function device is selected responsive to the data specifying the at least one capability.

19. (currently amended) ~~The A method according to claim 12, further comprising:~~

- a) storing in at least one data store in an automated banking machine including a cash dispenser, through operation of at least one processor, a plurality of automated banking machine operating rules, wherein the rules correspond to at least one sequence for use of a plurality of transaction function devices in operative connection with the automated banking machine, each of which transaction function devices is capable of carrying out a first transaction function;
- b) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a first transaction function device responsive to a first rule;
- c) performing the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the first transaction function device responsive to the selection in (b);
- d) storing in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor data specifying at least one first capability associated with a plurality of transaction function devices, wherein in (b) the first transaction function device is selected responsive to the data specifying the at least one first capability;
- e) determining through operation of the at least one processor that the first transaction function device is not available to carry out the first transaction function;

- f) storing in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor data specifying at least one second capability associated with a plurality of transaction function devices;
- g) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a second transaction function device responsive to the first rule and the data specifying the at least one second capability; and
- h) performing responsive to the selection in (g) the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the second transaction function device.

20. (previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein in (d) the at least one first capability includes printing indicia in a plurality of colors, wherein in (f) the at least one second capability includes printing indicia in at least one color.

21. (previously presented) An article of computer readable media bearing instructions operative to cause the at least one processor in the automated banking machine to carry out the method steps recited in claim 12.

22. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- a) storing data representative of a plurality of rules in at least one data store in operative connection with at least one processor in an automated banking machine, wherein the automated banking machine includes a cash dispenser, wherein at least one rule includes a hierarchy in operation of a plurality of transaction function devices, each capable of carrying out a first transaction function in the automated banking machine;
- b) operating the at least one processor to select a first of the plurality of transaction function devices responsive to the hierarchy;
- c) operating the at least one processor to cause the first transaction function device to carry out the first transaction function responsive to the selection in (b).

23. (previously presented) The method according to claim 22 and further comprising:

- d) determining through operation of the at least one processor that the first transaction function device is unable to carry out the first transaction function;
- e) responsive to the determination in (d) operating the at least one processor to select a second of the plurality of transaction function devices responsive to the hierarchy.

24. (previously presented) The method according to claim 23 and further comprising:

- f) operating the at least one processor to cause the second transaction function device to carry out the first transaction function responsive to the selection in (e).

25. (previously presented) The method according to claim 24 wherein in (a) the first transaction function comprises printing a document.

26. (previously presented) The method according to claim 24 wherein in (a) the first transaction function comprises sensing at least one feature of an item.

27. (previously presented) The method according to claim 22 and further comprising:

- d) operating the at least one processor so as to cause an event;
- e) operating the at least one processor to select the at least one transaction function device responsive to the event.

28. (previously presented) The method according to claim 22 and further comprising:

- d) storing in the at least one data store a plurality of capability values corresponding to capabilities of respective ones of the plurality of transaction function devices.

29. (previously presented) The method according to claim 28 wherein in (b) the first transaction function device is selected responsive to at least one capability value associated with the first transaction function device.

30. (previously presented) The method according to claim 27 and further comprising:

operating the at least one processor to cause the hierarchy to be selected responsive to the event.

31. (previously presented) The method according to claim 28 wherein in (d) each transaction function device has at least one corresponding capability value stored in associated relation therewith in the data store.

32. (previously presented) The method according to claim 31 wherein in (d) the at least one capability value corresponds to the printing properties of the corresponding transaction function device.

33. (previously presented) The method according to claim 22 and further comprising:

- d) dispensing cash from the automated banking machine through operation of the cash dispenser responsive to operation of the at least one processor.

34. (previously presented) An article of computer readable media bearing instructions operative to cause the at least one processor in the automated banking machine to carry out the method steps recited in claim 22.

35. (new) A method for configuring devices in an automated transaction machine comprising:

- a) through operation of at least one processor, storing a plurality of rules for the automated transaction machine, wherein the rules correspond to at least one sequence for use of a plurality of transaction function devices in operative connection with the automated transaction machine, each of which transaction function devices is capable of carrying out a substantially equivalent first transaction function, wherein the automated transaction machine includes a cash dispenser;
- b) through operation of the at least one processor, selecting a first transaction function device responsive to at least one of the rules; and

- c) through operation of the at least one processor, performing the first transaction function with the first transaction function device.

36. (new) The method according to claim 35, further comprising:

- d) through operation of the at least one processor, determining that the first transaction device is not available;
- e) through operation of the at least one processor, selecting a second transaction function device responsive to the at least one of the rules; and
- f) through operation of the at least one processor, performing the first transaction function with the second transaction function device.

37. (new) The method according to claim 36, wherein in (b) and (e) both the first and second transaction function devices include printer devices, wherein the first transaction function includes printing a receipt.

38. (new) The method according to claim 36, wherein in (b) the first transaction function device corresponds to a receipt printer, and wherein in (e) the second transaction function device corresponds to a statement printer.

39. (new) The method according to claim 35, further comprising prior to (b):

- d) through operation of the at least one processor, selecting the at least one of the rules responsive to an event which is operative to cause the machine to carry out the first transaction function.

40. (new) The method according to claim 35, further comprising:

- d) through operation of the at least one processor, storing a plurality of capability values that are representative of features of the transaction function devices, wherein in (b) the first transaction function device is selected responsive to at least one of the capability values.

41. (new) The method according to claim 35, further comprising:

- d) through operation of the at least one processor, specifying at least one capability of the first transaction function device; and

wherein in (c) the first transaction function device is selected responsive to the specified capability.

42. (new) The method according to claim 35, further comprising:

- d) through operation of the at least one processor, specifying at least one first capability of transaction function devices, wherein in (b) the first transaction function device is further selected responsive to the at least one first capability;
- e) through operation of the at least one processor, determining that the first transaction function device is not available to carry out the first transaction function;
- f) through operation of the at least one processor, specifying at least one second capability of transaction function devices;
- g) through operation of the at least one processor, selecting a second transaction function device responsive to the at least one of the rules and the specified at least one second capability; and
- h) through operation of the at least one processor, performing the first transaction function with the second transaction function device.

43. (new) The method according to claim 42, wherein in (d) the first capability corresponds to printing indicia in a plurality of colors, wherein in (f) the at least one second capability corresponds to printing indicia in at least one color.

44. (new) Computer readable media bearing instructions which are operative to cause the at least one processor in the automated transaction machine to cause the automated transaction machine to carry out the method steps recited in claim 35.

45. (new) The method according to claim 35, further comprising:

d) causing through operation of the at least one processor the at least one cash dispenser to dispense cash.

46. (new) A method comprising:

a) storing in at least one data store in an automated banking machine including a cash dispenser, through operation of at least one processor a plurality of automated banking machine operating rules, wherein the rules correspond to at least one sequence for use of a plurality of transaction function devices in operative connection with the automated banking machine, each of which transaction function devices is capable of carrying out a first transaction function;

b) storing in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor data specifying at least one first capability associated with at least one of the plurality of transaction function devices;

- c) storing in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor data specifying at least one second capability associated with at least one of the plurality of transaction function devices;
- d) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a first transaction function device responsive to at least one of the rules and the data specifying the at least one first capability;
- e) determining through operation of the at least one processor that the first transaction function device is not available to carry out the first transaction function through operation of the first transaction function device;
- f) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a second transaction function device responsive to the at least one of the rules and the data specifying the at least one capability; and
- g) performing responsive to the selection in (f) the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the second transaction function device.

47. (new) A method comprising:

- a) storing in at least one data store in an automated banking machine including a cash dispenser, through operation of at least one processor, a plurality of automated banking machine operating rules, wherein the rules correspond to at least one sequence for use of a plurality of transaction function devices in operative connection with the automated banking machine, each of which transaction function devices is capable of carrying out a first transaction function;
- b) storing in the at least one data store through operation of the at least one processor, data specifying at least one capability associated with a plurality of transaction function devices;
- c) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a first transaction function device responsive to at least one of the rules and the data specifying the at least one capability;
- d) determining through operation of the at least one processor that the first transaction function device is not available to carry out the first transaction function through operation of the first transaction function device;
- e) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a second transaction function device responsive to the at least one of the rules and the data specifying the at least one capability; and

- f) performing responsive to the selection in (f) the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the second transaction function device.

48. (new) A method comprising:

- a) storing in at least one data store in an automated banking machine including a cash dispenser, through operation of at least one processor, a plurality of automated banking machine operating rules, wherein the rules correspond to at least one sequence for use of a plurality of transaction function devices in operative connection with the automated banking machine, each of which transaction function devices is capable of carrying out a first transaction function;
- b) selecting through operation of the at least one processor a first transaction function device responsive to at least one of the rules;
- c) determining through operation of the at least one processor that the first transaction function device selected in (b) is not available to carry out the first transaction function through operation of the first transaction function device;

- d) responsive to the determination in (c), selecting through operation of the at least one processor a second transaction function device responsive to the at least one of the rules; and
- e) performing responsive to the selection in (d) the first transaction function with the automated banking machine through operation of the second transaction function device.